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## AMONG THE OAKS

### How to Know the Different Varieties of California's Noblest Trees.

The Oak has a beauty peculiarly its own, but one must learn to love its varied leaves and acorns, the shrubs as well as the trees. The trees are majestic, calm and venerable, but the shrubs come closer to us. They are friendly companions. The species most available and suitable here are:

The Live Oak, *Quercus Agrifolia*.  
White Oak, *Q. Engelmanni*.  
Scrub Oak, *Q. Dumosa*.  
Wislizeni Oak, *Q. Wislizeni*.  
Golden Oak, *Q. Chrysolepis*.

It would be better to speak of the White Oak as Engelmann Oak as that would distinguish it from all other Oaks. This is a *Quercus alba* (literally White Oak) that grows from Maine to Minnesota and south, but it does not resemble Engelmanni. The obstacle is that many who know this as the White Oak would not know what was intended by Engelmanni. It does not seem too late to try to spread the new name.

Scrub Oak is a corruption of Shrub Oak (*dumosa*, shrubby). It is perhaps just as well that it is permanently established. It is a part of the aroma and flavor of that California that has passed into history, but is in the minds and hearts of many still living.

Wislizeni is likely to be passed over as *dumosa*. Few know anything about it. Golden Oak is a name here proposed for *Chrysolepis*. This tree has no established common name. *Chrysolepis*, I understand, means golden scales and refers to the scales of the cup. In Dr. Franceschi's catalogue the plant is called Golden Leaf Oak. The upper surface of the leaf is described by the author as pale green, nearly white (*gloucous*). So the name is not especially appropriate. But for me the precision of the definition freezes the poetry out of it. Is not Golden Oak pleasing to the ear and imagination? In the Biltmore catalogue a horticultural variety of the English Oak (*Quercus robur*) is listed as Golden Oak (*Q. pedunculata* variety *concordia*) which will be discussed. It seems to me this need not prevent our using the name. It has become necessary for all trade catalogues to give the botanical name so there would be little chance of confusion.

The term "Live Oak" is used somewhat indiscriminately for any evergreen Oak. It should be reserved for *Agrifolia* to avoid confusion.

The Oaks are not easy but the ones mentioned can be determined by the acorns with a little supplementary help from other characters. The following notes and descriptions will perhaps open the way:

*Q. Agrifolia*.—This is by far the most excellent and beautiful of the trees here

### FAIRY ARTIST HERE

Edward Ertz Will Paint Portraits of Two Well Known Sierra Madre Children.

Mr. Edward Ertz, an artist of note, arrived in Sierra Madre last week, having been commissioned to paint the portraits of Samuel and Jessica Graham, who reside with their aunt, Miss T. H. Graham of Lima street. Mr. Ertz is living in one of the houses owned by Miss Graham, near her residence. He has won fame abroad, having done work of note in several European capitals.

Edward Ertz, R. B. A., 1902, member of the society of arts, was born in Chicago, in 1862. He is the son of the late John Ertz, of the 12th Illinois Cavalry. He was educated in Chicago and Paris and began his career in Chicago as an engraver, designer and illustrator.

He went to New Orleans and aided in the formation of the New Orleans Etching club and Artists' association. He then went to New York in 1885 and engraved for the Scribner's and Century magazines. He painted at intervals and in 1888 went to Paris to study. He exhibited in the Solon at Paris in 1889, and has been an annual exhibitor there each year since.

He was the professor of water color painting and drawing at the Academy Delecluse from 1892 to 1899. He has exhibited at the Royal Academy, London, at Berlin, Munich, Glasgow, Paris and Pittsburgh. He has received five medals for international exhibitions in France and one medal from the Societe des Amis des Arts de la Somme. He received three awards at the Bristol Arts and Crafts exhibition and a bronze medal at the American Arts' Society of Philadelphia. He is represented in the permanent collection of the Alexandra Palace Galleries in London.

mentioned. Everything about it is pleasing. But this is true of all Oaks. The acorns are slender, tapering gracefully to a sharp point, one and one-half inches long. The cup is top shape, leaves dark green and shiny above, paler beneath and generally spiny, especially the young leaves. The edges turn down. This is a valley tree and often very symmetrical, presenting a rich, dark green, cool mass, admirable and refreshing.

*Q. Engelmanni*.—This does not compare with *Agrifolia* but its merit is that it will grow where the former would not. The trunk is usually a white grey, although not always so. This does generally enable one to pick out Engelmanni at a distance. The acorn is oblong and blunt, one inch long, cup flat. Leaves are flat, green or pale green above, paler beneath, not spiny.

*Q. Chrysolepis*.—This is likely to be anything in size from a shrub to a very large tree according to location. When seen as a shrub or small tree on a hillside in the slanting rays of the afternoon sun it often has a marked golden

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### WILL PLANT POPPIES

Clean Up Day Committee Decides on Important Feature—Woman's Club to Help.

Preparations for the great cleaning up festival to be held Saturday, October 17, are going forward steadily. N. H. Hosmer has been chosen chairman of the committee and another meeting will be held soon to make more detailed plans.

As was the case last year, the Woman's Club will have charge of the commissary arrangements. They will provide rations for eighty workers, and more if notified in advance that that number will be exceeded.

Careful consideration of the task before the workers on the great day shows that there is much less work to be done than was the case last year, principally on account of the improvement of Baldwin, Central, Mountain Trail and Grand View avenues. This will permit some work not undertaken last year.

The happy thought seems to have struck several persons simultaneously that it would be a fine thing to have poppies planted very generally over the town, especially along parkways and on the sides of unimproved streets. After some consideration it was decided to purchase sufficient poppy seed in bulk for free distribution. This will be given out after cleaning up day so that it can be sown before the fall rains set in. This feature of the enterprise will instantly commend itself to everyone.

### PROVIDES MORE MONEY

Increased Valuation Raises City's Income More Than \$2,000.

About \$2,000 will be added to the city's income from taxes this year over that received last year. The rate remains the same as before, 75 cents on each \$100 assessed valuation. The increase is due chiefly to the increase in valuation. The exact amount which should be produced is \$7,015, while a little less than \$5,000 was provided last year. The tax money has already begun to come into the city's coffers, being now due and becoming delinquent the first Monday in November.

### SIDING STILL THERE.

For sheer nerve in defiance of civil authorities the Pacific Electric people are about the limit. They have been ordered to remove the siding on the north side of their track at Central and Lima and have been given ample time to do it. The city authorities maintain that the company has no franchise for such a siding, as it is not on their right of way. The practice of leaving cars there for unloading is offensive to residents of the neighborhood, as well as blocking one half of the street. Instead of removing the siding as ordered the company has merely brought it to grade as if expecting the city to go ahead and oil the street leaving their track there. There is likely to be something doing in the matter soon.

## WORK FOR GAS

Board of Trade Committee Hard at Work on Proposition to Secure Gas for Sierra Madre.

Huntington Park's new gas plant was inspected last Monday by the Board of Trade committee on securing a gas plant for Sierra Madre. In company with Mr. Dunn of the Standard Gas and Electric company, Messrs. Bridle, Graham, Andrews, Hosmer and Madden went over the situation at Huntington park as thoroughly as possible. This plant is very similar to the one Mr. Dunn proposes to furnish for Sierra Madre.

On Thursday Mr. Dunn came to Sierra Madre for a more careful survey of the situation. In company with members of the committee the streets where mains should be laid were discussed, together with the size of mains, etc. It was found that eight miles of mains would supply practically the entire town, bringing this item of expense within the figures originally set by Mr. Dunn.

The more the gas question is investigated by the members of the committee the better the outlook appears. That Sierra Madre will have gas within a reasonable time now appears certain. In the past the feasibility of supplying the town, either from a local plant or with gas piped from some other town, has been doubted. But investigation has shown these fears to be not well founded.

## MEN'S CLUB BANQUET

"Brotherhood Movement" Will be Discussed at Congregational Church.

Invitations have been sent out for the men's banquet at the Congregational church next Friday evening. The Ladies' Aid society will feed the hungry company of men, most of whom will probably appear with enormous appetites, remembering the feast to which they were treated at a similar event last spring. The speakers this time will be Dr. Jean F. Loba of Pasadena and Capt. Leslie G. Bryant of Los Angeles. Captain Bryant is state secretary of the Boy's Brigade and will talk on the subject of work among the boys. Dr. Loba will speak on the brotherhood movement in the church. It is expected that a men's club will be organized in the local church, in pursuance of preliminary steps taken at the banquet last spring.

Oiling operations on west Central avenue are progressing with more celerity since the car tracks have been brought to grade. The first coat of oil has been put on all that section west of Lima street and the second coat is now being spread.

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## Ordinance No. 67

An Ordinance of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre ordering certain work to be done on Grand View avenue in said city of Sierra Madre. The Board of Trustees of the city of Sierra Madre do ordain as follows:—

Sec. 1. That the Board of Trustees of the city of Sierra Madre deems it to be required by the public interest and convenience, and hereby orders, that the following street work be done, to-wit:

1st. That Grand View avenue from the easterly curb line of Sunnyside avenue on the east to the westerly curb line of Sierra Madre avenue on the west, including all intersections, (excepting such portions of said street and intersections as are required by law to be kept in order or repair by any person or company having railroad tracks thereon, and also excepting such portions as have already been graded to the official grade, oiled and accepted by said city), be graded and oiled in accordance with the plans and profiles for such work on file in the office of the City Engineer of said city, and specifications for the grading and oiling of streets on file in the office of the City Clerk of said city, said specifications being numbered 10.

2nd. That a cement curb be constructed along both sides of said Grand View avenue between the easterly curb line of Sunnyside avenue on the east and the westerly curb line of Sierra Madre avenue on the west, (except along such portions of said street where a cement or granite curb has been constructed to the official line and grade and accepted by said city), according to the plans and profiles on file in the office of the City Engineer of said city for such work, and specifications for the construction of cement curbs on file in the office of the City Clerk of said city, said specifications being numbered 2.

3rd. That a cement gutter two feet in width be constructed along the south side of Grand View avenue from the easterly curb line of Sierra Madre avenue on the west to a point 630 feet easterly thereof, and thence five feet in width to the westerly curb line of Sunnyside avenue on the east; and a cement gutter two feet in width along the northerly side of Grand View avenue from the easterly curb line of Sierra Madre avenue on the west to a point 570 feet easterly thereof, and thence three and one-half feet in width to the westerly curb line of Sunnyside avenue on the east, (except along such portions of said street where a cement or granite gutter of said dimensions has been constructed to the official line and grade and accepted by said city), in accordance with the plans and profiles on file in the office of the City Engineer of said city, and specifications for the construction of cement gutters on file in the office of the City Clerk of said city, said specifications being numbered 8.

4th. That cement box culverts be constructed of the size and dimensions and where shown on the plans and profiles for said Grand View avenue, along and across said Grand View avenue between the easterly curb line of Sunnyside avenue on the east and the westerly curb line of Sierra Madre avenue on the west, in accordance with the plans and profiles for such work on file in the office of the City Engineer of said city, and according to plans of the numbers shown on said plans and profiles for the construction of cement box culverts, and specifications for the construction of cement box culverts on file in the office of the City Clerk of said city, said specifications being numbered 9.

5th. That cement swales be constructed where shown and indicated and of the size and dimensions shown on the plans and profiles for such work, along and across said Grand View avenue between the easterly curb line of Sunnyside avenue on the east and the westerly curb line of Sierra Madre avenue on the west, in accordance with the plans and profiles for such work on

file in the office of the City Engineer of said city, and specifications for the construction of cement swales on file in the office of the City Clerk of said city, said specifications being numbered 7.

Sec. 2. The City Clerk is hereby directed to publish a notice of said work, inviting sealed proposals or bids for doing said work, and referring to the specifications posted or on file once per week for two successive weeks in the "Sierra Madre News," a weekly newspaper published and circulated in said city, hereby designated for that purpose. Said notice shall require a certified check, or bond, either, as prescribed by law, and for an amount not less than ten per cent. of the aggregate of the proposals.

He is also directed to post said notice with specifications conspicuously for five days on or near the chamber door of the place of meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Sec. 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance and shall cause the same to be published once per week for two successive weeks in the "Sierra Madre News," said newspaper hereby designated for that purpose, and thereupon and thereafter the same shall take effect and be in force.

The foregoing ordinance was adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the city of Sierra Madre held on the 24th day of September, A.D. 1908, by the affirmative vote of at least three trustees, to-wit:

Ayes: Messrs. Graham, Hosmer, Pegler and Jones.

Absent: Kraft.

Noes:—None.

And signed and approved this 24th day of September, A. D. 1908.

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**Brief Items of Interest**

H. W. Caskey has moved into the  
Knight residence on LaBelle avenue.

Miss Hazel Hearne of Long Beach  
visited over Sunday with Miss Evelyn  
Rice.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Jensen visited  
Sunday with the former's mother, Mrs.  
Amelia Jensen.

Mrs. Chester Andrews of Highland  
Park is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. S.  
Andrews.

Mrs. Mary Torrance and Mr. J. F.  
Torrance of Pasadena were Sunday  
visitors of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Torrance  
at Park Manor.

Mrs. A. L. Caskey leaves this evening  
for Clifton Springs, N. Y., where she  
will spend the winter at the home of  
her daughter, Mrs. W. F. Bible.

Miss Pansy Newlin attended a pro-  
gressive dinner given Monday evening  
in Los Angeles by the Alpha Chi  
Omega sorority of U. S. C., of which  
she is a member.

Mr. E. W. Camp, attorney for the  
Santa Fe, is in attendance at the six-  
teenth annual session of the national  
irrigation congress now in session at  
Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Dr. J. M. Campbell and family spent  
Tuesday in Los Angeles the guests of  
Mrs. Marsh, a childhood friend from  
Scotland, whom Dr. Campbell had not  
seen for 40 years until a short time ago.

On next Sunday afternoon at the  
Church of the Ascension the Rev.  
Charles E. Bentham will baptize the  
infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward  
Stilson, the ceremony occurring at 4  
o'clock.

The family of Mr. R. G. Emerson re-  
moved Wednesday to the ranch at  
Glendora recently taken in exchange  
for their Sierra Madre property. Mr.  
and Mrs. Wilson of Glendora took pos-  
session of the Emmerson home in Sierra  
Madre the same day.

Miss Gertrude Cook sang a solo at the  
Congregational church Sunday morning.  
The many admirers of her voice were  
delighted to find that her voice had  
fully regained its power and beauty  
after the illness of last winter which  
compelled her to quit singing for sev-  
eral months.

During their stay at La Jolla the Rev.  
and Mrs. Charles E. Bentham were the  
recipients of many social favors among  
which was a reception given by the  
Rev. Dr. Coffit and Mrs. Coffit at their  
home in San Diego to about 150 guests.  
The guests of honor were Rev. and  
Mrs. Charles E. Bentham of Sierra  
Madre and Dr. and Mrs. Hoag of Pas-  
adena.

Prof. Edwin House was the guest of  
Rev. and Mrs. Charles E. Bentham Sun-  
day and at the morning service at the  
Episcopal church rendered Dudley  
Buck's sacred solo, "Fear Ye Not, Oh  
Israel," with exceptional feeling and  
beauty. In the afternoon a number of  
people were invited to hear Prof. House  
and Mr. Perry presided at the organ at  
an impromptu sacred concert. Prof.  
House is well known throughout the  
east in his work in oratorio and those  
who heard him sing Sunday were in-  
deed favored.

Miss Mary Reynolds of San Luis Rey  
is the guest this week of Miss Dorothy  
Humphries.

Mrs. Abbey and Mrs. Emma Bicknell  
are spending the week at the coast in  
the Letteau cottage at Hermosa.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Lawless are  
at their seaside cottage at Balboa for a  
week.

The Modern Priscillas gathered yes-  
terday at the home of Mrs. Burton  
W. Andrews for the first meeting of the  
new year.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Flint entertained  
at dinner on Friday evening Rev. Dr.  
James M. Campbell, Mrs. Campbell and  
Miss Mae Campbell.

Mrs. Charles E. Bentham has resumed  
her work as head of the English De-  
partment of the Marlborough school,  
Los Angeles.

Messrs. Hicks and Max Thornburg  
entertained a hunting party this week  
at their Long Beach home. Their guests  
from here were Raymond Andrews and  
Adolphus Kershaw.

Mr. M. C. Doucet has purchased the  
confectionery business of I. M. Grilley  
and will hereafter make the store the  
headquarters for his transfer business  
and also for the Wells Fargo Express  
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The Monday Musical club will hold  
the first meeting of the club year next  
Monday, October 6, the date given in  
last week's News being an error. The  
meeting will be at the home of Mrs. W.  
E. Rhea, Grandin and Auburn.

Almost as much interest is manifested  
in the "society circus" to be given to-  
night by the Knights of King Arthur as  
if a real circr were coming to town.  
And it will be much more worth going  
to see. An evening of huge enjoyment  
awaits those who attend.

Miss T. H. Graham of Lima street en-  
tertained at dinner Thursday evening  
in honor of her distinguished guest,  
Prof. Edward Ertz. Covers were laid  
for six and aside from the hostess and  
her honored guest there were present  
Mrs. Skipworth Coles, Miss Lelia Skip-  
worth Coles, Lieut. Evelyn Aldridge  
and Prof. H. C. Simmons of Los  
Angeles.

The grocery and meat business of  
Page & Co., has been purchased by Mr.  
A. B. Stickney of Bakersfield who will  
take possession Monday next. Mr.  
Stickney has been connected with the  
Southern Pacific at Bakersfield, but is  
also a practical groceryman. He will  
bring his family to Sierra Madre.  
Mr. and Mrs. Page will remain Sierra  
Madre for some time, Mr. Page declar-  
ing that he has found no other place  
that suits him so well.

Miss T. H. Graham entertained in-  
formally Thursday afeernoon a number  
of ladies. During the afternoon her  
celebrated guest, Prof. Edward Ertz of the  
Devonshire school of art, Yearl-  
ton, England, favored the ladies with  
an inspection of his sketches in oil and  
water colors. The afternoon was a  
delightful one and will be a source of  
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### THE PARK WE NEED.

Azusa will vote next Tuesday on a proposition to bond the city for \$7,000 for the purchase of a public park. A tract of land about 300 feet square has been selected and options secured on it. Azusa owns its water and lighting plants and the park proposition is another step forward.

With the wealth of natural beauty afforded by the mountain park at our doors, Sierra Madre has little need of a park in the ordinary sense of the term. But what Sierra Madre does need is a public playground, where the boys, young and old, can play baseball, tennis, football and kindred sports. And the land ought to be secured before further crowding makes it impossible to find a suitable tract at reasonable cost. With proper facilities for sport of this kind at home there will be less temptation to the boys to go to Arcadia and similar places in search of amusement. Equipment could be secured gradually for the building up of such a park as some of the public playgrounds in Los Angeles and no more wholesome influence could be provided for the younger generation.

Did you notice how last week's hail storm improved the appearance of some of the trees? Bananas, "elephant ears," and other things with large leaves were riddled. But the peppers and trees with fine foliage were merely stripped of dead and dying leaves and twigs and left as fresh and festive as an Easter hat.

Burrough—burro—beast of burden! Get the idea? That is just about what city and county consolidation would mean for the smaller towns. They would have an opportunity to help bear the burden of enormous bond issues from which they got no benefits.

No matter how many swallows it takes to make a spring, it takes two springs to make a year in California. The landscape after the first fall rains is suggestive of nothing so much as spring well advanced. Now is the time to plant vegetables for your winter table.

Newport News.—The editor of the Sierra Madre News spells his name "Morgidge" and also spells "beverage" "beveridge."

Guilty—sometimes! You see, Cornelius, up here in Sierra Madre where we irrigate our internal workin's with pure mountain water we are not concerned with the "age" of the stuff we drink. It may be different at Newport.

### When Your Brains Are Numb.

The editor is in receipt of the following from Editor Randall of the Artesia News:

I'm tryin', tryin', tryin'  
To make a rhyme 'bout Bryan.  
I've conjured wits  
Till my head splits  
And both my brains are fryin'.

I've got the space to fill  
In some way. Guess I will  
Another day  
Compose a lay  
And simply call him "Bill."

Now Brother Randall is wise enough to know what the trouble is. He just needs some more mountain air and wants to take another jaunt up Mt. Wilson. He also knows where he can find company for such a trip. So there will be another editorial excursion up Mt. Wilson in a week or two. Some of the brethren who have kicked themselves because they passed up the last one might come along.

### Amen!

Whittier Register (in account of city council meeting).—A communication from the San Francisco board of trade was read: it portrayed the vast interests of the hop and grape industry for beer and wine purposes and asked the board to adopt the submitted resolution to oppose "unwise and fanatical legislation" whereby the booze industry might receive a deadly blow. A motion carried by unanimous vote to "chuck it under the table."

### CLUB YEAR TO OPEN

#### First Session to Be Held Second Monday in October at Town Hall.

The opening session of the Sierra Madre Woman's club will be held Monday, October 12, 1908, at 3 p. m., at the town hall. This will begin the club year of 1908-9, and is to be an open meeting—each club member may bring one or more guest.

There will be the president's address and a social hour will follow. Much excellent work has been planned for the coming year. Under the auspices of the club will be given different courses in instruction. The class in French during the summer proved so successful that another class is now forming, for beginning. Other educational work will be a class in Spanish, a class in Parliamentary law and usages and a class in china painting.

Application for places in these classes must be made not later than Monday,

October 12, afternoon, and terms and other information will be given on application. For information regarding the several classes apply, for the French to Mrs. William J. Lawless, for Spanish to Mrs. H. G. Flint, for Parliamentary law and china painting to either of the foregoing ladies or to the President, Mrs. Charles E. Bentham. These classes are aside from the regular club work, but under the auspices of the club. The club is looking forward to a most successful and interesting year.

### At the Library.

The Public Library has been presented with a handsome mission table, the handiwork of Raymond Andrews. It is six feet in length and makes a very welcome addition to the furnishings of the library. It will be used in the juvenile department.

Among the new books recently purchased are the following:  
Peter, F. Hopkinson Smith.  
The Post Girl. C. E. Booth.

Marcia Schuyler, Lutz.

"The Post Girl" ran through five editions in sixty days. "Peter" has been featured as one of the most popular books of the day and needs no comment.

Non-fiction books are never as popular at circulating libraries as works of fiction. The Sierra Madre library has a large list of valuable works on various topics which deserve wider circulation than they get. To promote this feature of the library work a new rule has been put into effect which permits patrons to take out one fiction and one non-fiction book at the same time on one card.

### Card Party October 16.

The next card party of the series being given by the Sierra Madre Woman's club will be held at the home of Mrs. Bentham, Friday evening, October 10. The usual games will be played and the guests are assured of a delightful evening.

## DIRECTORY CITY OFFICIALS, SOCIETIES, CHURCHES, ETC.

### CITY GOVERNMENT.

Trustees—  
C. W. JONES, Chairman.  
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Treasurer—L. C. Torrance.  
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Engineer—C. O. Mansur.  
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Trustees meet in the City Hall, Kersting block, on Central avenue, second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:15 p. m.

### BOARD OF TRADE.

President—J. W. Keys.  
Vice President—A. S. Mead.  
Secretary—M. H. Bridle.  
Treasurer—W. S. Andrews.  
Directors—J. W. Keys, A. S. Mead, C. W. Jones, M. H. Bridle, C. S. Kersting, J. J. Graham, W. S. Andrews.

Regular meetings second Monday in each month.

### CIVIC LEAGUE

President, L. Dietz.  
Vice President, M. W. Copps.  
Secretary, A. A. Rice.  
Treasurer, A. S. Mead.  
Directors, A. L. Caskey, V. L. Graham, G. W. Gill, L. Dietz, ex officio.

### WOMAN'S CLUB.

President, Mrs. Charles E. Bentham.  
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Secretary, Mrs. Frank Wright.  
Treasurer, Mrs. W. S. Andrews.  
Meets second and fourth Mondays.

### MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB.

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2nd Vice President, Mrs. Cora Costello.  
Secretary, Mrs. M. B. Brownson.  
Treasurer, Mrs. H. G. Flint.  
Meets first and third Mondays.

### PUBLIC LIBRARY.

H. J. Potter, president; Mrs. L. C. Torrance, vice president; W. E. Bechtelheimer, secretary; Mrs. George Letteau, treasurer; L. C. Torrance, auditor.

There are over 2,700 books in the Library, and the Reading Room tables are supplied with all the leading magazines and periodicals.

Membership in the association is open to any person of full age on payment of an annual subscription of two dollars or a single life subscription of twenty-five cents. A monthly subscription of twenty-five cents entitles the subscriber to the use of the Library, but does not qualify such subscriber as member of the Association.

The Library is open eight times each week, viz., on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday afternoons from 3 till 5, and Monday and Thursday evenings from 7 till 9 o'clock. The reading room will also be open Sunday afternoons.

### CHURCH NOTICES.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—Rev. James M. Campbell, D. D., pastor. Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; morning service, 11 a. m.; Christian Endeavor, 6:45 p. m.; evening service, 7:30 p. m. Strangers are cordially welcomed.

The Ladies' Aid Society holds its business meetings on the first Tuesday of every month, at 3 p. m. Afternoon socials on the second and fourth Tuesdays, from 3 to 5 o'clock.

The Woman's Missionary Society meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 3 p. m.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION (Episcopal)—Rev. Charles E. Bentham, rector. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.; evening prayer and sermon 7:30 p. m.; celebration of Holy Communion, first Sunday in month, at 11 a. m.; third Sunday in month, 7:30 a. m.; Saints' and Feast Days, 10 a. m. All seats are free. A cordial invitation is extended to strangers.

ROMAN CATHOLIC services Sunday morning at 8:30 o'clock at Chapel, corner Baldwin and Olive avenues. Rev. M. W. Barth in charge.

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... 6:00 p.m.	... 4:30 p.m.

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CABOT YERXA, Postmaster.

### TIME TABLES

#### PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY

Leave Los Angeles	12:05 p.m.	Leave Sierra Madre
6:05 a.m.	1:05	6:10 a.m.
6:25* "	1:25* "	2:10
7:05	2:05	2:42*
8:05	3:05	3:10
9:05	4:05	4:10
10:05 "	5:05	5:10
	5:30	6:10
	6:05	6:30
	8:05	7:05
	11:30	10:05

\*Combination express and passenger service.

### SANTA FE ROUTE

Santa Anita Station

Arrive from Los Angeles and Leave for East:

8:32 a.m. Overland	5:12 p.m. Local
9:13 a.m. Local	8:41 p.m. Overland
10:38 a.m. Limited	

Arrive from East and Leave for Los Angeles:

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No. 8707.  
REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF  
The First National Bank

At Sierra Madre, in the State of California, at the close of business, September 23d, 1908.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	46,026 71
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	NONE
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	25,000 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	1,050 00
Bonds, securities, etc.	10,632 50
Furniture and fixtures	4,188 61
Expense	1,304 99
Due from approved reserve agents	14,992 32
Checks and other cash items	19 55
Notes of other National Banks	400 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	18 41
Lawful money reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	4,502 40
Legal-tender notes	155 00
Cash on hand and with reserve banks	4,657 40
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	850 00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>109,140 49</b>

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	25,000 00
National bank notes outstanding	25,000 00
Interest and Exchange	781 99
Safe deposit box rental	4 00
Individual deposits subject to check	55,815 95
Demand certificates of deposit	166 25
Time certificates of deposit	2,369 00
Cashier's checks outstanding	3 30
<b>Total Deposits</b>	<b>58,354 50</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$109,140 49</b>

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, ss.  
I. H. G. Flint, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. G. FLINT.  
Cashier.

CORRECT—Attest:  
C. S. KERSTING,  
L. C. TORRANCE,  
C. H. BAKER,

Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of September, 1908.  
[Seal] J. A. MADDEN,  
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## AMONG THE OAKS.

(Continued From 1st Page.)

shimmer. The acorn is very large and oblong blunt. The cup has a very wide rim which is a striking feature. The leaves are pale (glauconous) above and yellowish underneath.

Q. Dumosa.—Next to the Live Oak my heart warms to this beautiful shrub. If you are seeking health go where it goes. It will take you along the ridges of low, sunny hills where there are always cool breezes and the healing aroma of scented shrubs. It is said that our California flowers lack fragrance. That shows mere ignorance but so many of our flowers and shrubs are fragrant in leaf and stem that the air is scented for miles and miles and this is more noticeable on the very deserts.

Dumosa is extremely variable. The acorn is oblong, from one to one and one-half inches; cup somewhat deep; leaf dark or light green, paler underneath.

Q. Wislizeni. Perhaps this is the prettiest of the shrubby forms, because the acorn is more graceful in shape than dumosa. The young branches have a pleasing gray color. The acorn tapers, but is not so slender as agrifolia. The length is about one and one-fourth inches; Cup hemispherical smooth and soft gray. The leaves dark green, but little paler beneath and somewhat spiny.

These descriptions are intended only as a help, something of a guide to those who wish to know the different kinds. In comparing them with specimens it is probable many discrepancies will be found. The descriptions by the original authors are too unsatisfactory to be considered. Every species here described varies very much as to color and shape of leaves and as to spininess. No species has a standard of size for the acorn. These descriptions, too, are made from a very limited amount of material. But I hope they will serve their purpose.

To most people the detail beauty that is lost for lack of observation is astonishing when revealed. If you will put a spray of Live Oak, for instance, in a vase and place it where the light is sufficient you will find new beauties nearly every time you look at it. By gathering a few sprays of dumosa in its different forms and placing them in the same way (always free and loose) you will, when in the hills, be tempted to stop at each individual dumosa. Then you will begin to learn something about the scrub oaks, and not until then.

The subject "Oaks" will be continued in the next paper.

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## Figures Grow Larger.

The statement of condition of the First National bank of Sierra Madre again shows a gratifying increase in resources since the last call from the comptroller of the currency on July 15. The resources shown by the statement at the close of business Sept. 23, were \$109,140.49 against \$101,756.29 on the previous statement. The statement of Aug. 22, 1907 showed resources of about \$55,700, indicating an increase of practically 100 per cent in the year.

## About Calling Cards.

When a lady goes calling she ought to leave a card, the later inspection of which will not offset any favorable impression her visit may have created. Of course engraved cards are the best. There is nothing finer and in the long run they are little more expensive than others, for the plate may be used again and again. The News Printery will furnish engraved cards, invitations and announcements at very reasonable prices. The work is done by the house which supplies most of the fashionable stationers in Los Angeles and Pasadena. Samples may be seen at the News office at any time. Next to engraving in point of preference comes good printing, of the sort done at the News Printery. No matter what kind of cards you wish, you need not go out of town to get them. And by the way, if you have an engraved plate bring it to the News Printery and have some cards made from it.

The hail storm broke quite a lot of the large glass in the sun parlor of the Sierra Madre hotel. M. M. Mauck is putting in new glass by order of Mr. Potter.

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## THOUGHTS OF NEW CLOTHES

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5-room new cottage, 63d St., 75c water, rents for \$17.50. Price \$3000, mortgage of \$1400, payable \$26.50 per month.

5-room modern house, Boyle Heights, \$2400, mortgage \$800 in 2 years.

East Hollywood 6-room modern house at \$3100.

Lot in Tropico at \$650, including \$175, payable at \$25 per quarter.

Lot on 54th, between Figueroa and Hoover, at \$900, including balance of \$300 at \$10 per month.

7-room modern house, Boyle Heights, at \$4250, including mortgage of \$2000 in 18 months at 7 per cent. Owner will assume \$1000.

7-room modern house, on W. 37th place, 2

blocks from Vermont avenue and University car lines; large corner lot, barn, lawn, etc., \$6,500, including mortgage of \$2300 in 2 years.

5-room modern cottage on Griffin avenue, value \$2500, Owner will trade at \$1800, taking \$600 lot as first payment.

6-room cottage, 16th St. corner, at \$5500, with mortgage of \$2150 in 2 1-2 years at 7 per cent.

9-room modern house, 2 baths, oak floors, etc., South Flower St. Price \$7000, with \$2500 mortgage.

Highland Park, large lot with 2 modern houses, \$3000 clear.

4-room cottage on Philio St., \$1400.

Beach Lots at Huntington Beach, Long Beach, Santa Monica and Ocean Park.

5-acre ranch, cottage, well, shade, barn, etc., at Moneta.

Several ranches at Artesia.

These are but samples of the kind of exchanges we keep on our books. Should you see nothing here you can use, drop in and let us look over our lists further. You can turn your vacant property into income city real estate. You can get a good home in the city for your home here. You can exchange Sierra Madre vacant for Los Angeles vacant. Any number of arrangements may suggest themselves to you.

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Interest on Bonds ..... 840.00

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the directors of the Sierra Madre Water Company, held on the 28th day of September, 1908, an assessment of 25 cents per share was levied upon the capital stock of said corporation, payable forthwith to H. G. Flint, the secretary and treasurer of said corporation, at his office at the First National Bank, on Central avenue, in said City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California. Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 30th day of October, 1908, will be delinquent and will be advertised for sale at public auction, and, unless payment is made before, will be sold on the 24th day of November, 1908, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

H. G. FLINT,  
Secretary of Sierra Madre Water Company.

Location of the office of the company: The office whereat the secretary and treasurer conducts the business of the corporation is at the First National Bank, on Central avenue, in the City of Sierra Madre, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Dated September 28, 1908.

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FOR SALE—One first class Frazer cart \$10; one "bike" buggy cheap. Inquire of C. W. Jones. tf

FOR SALE—Fine laying hens at Parsons ranch, foot of Mountain Trail avenue. 52

FOR SALE—Horse, surrey and harness. A. S. Mead. 52

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FOR RENT—5-room house and 3 acres of land, Sierra Madre and Central avenues. A bargain. A. Gansert. 52\*

#### WANTED

WANTED—Buyers of carbon paper, rubber stamps, legal forms, blank books, etc., to make their purchases at the News Printery.

WANTED—Your ad in the classified column of the News, when you have anything for sale, exchange, to rent, lost or found.

### WITH THE TATTERL

(The editorial column is reserved for the personal opinions of the editor. This column is devoted to the opinions and expressions of others, as heard here and there about town.)

A commuter: "Grass fires in the hills this side of Bairdstown have resulted in the destruction of a number of those huge signs which mar the landscape all along the Pacific Electric lines. I wish the whole lot could be burned or otherwise destroyed. They are an abomination. By the way, there are fewer of those signs along the Sierra Madre line this side of El Camino than on any other line of the system."

A Business Man: Last Friday evening three boys broke into the Congregational church and stole some refreshments which had been taken there for the C. E. social. They did not cover their tracks very well nor could they keep their mouths shut afterwards. As a result they have laid themselves liable to prosecution for a state's prison offense. There has been too much of that sort of thing. They and several others ought to be warned just once and prosecuted on the next offense.

N. H. Hosmer: "We have about 200 registered voters here this fall. My books show 190 names of voters actually here. This does not include several who have removed from the town since registering. There are also several who have registered elsewhere and will have their names transferred to this precinct before election time. This shows that the number of voters in Sierra Madre has practically doubled since the registration of 1906. At that time we had about 140 names on the books, while the voting precinct included the Baldwin, Chapman and Hastings ranches. There were then between 90 and 100 voters in the territory now included in the city of Sierra Madre."

Marshal Lehmer arises to protest against the statement that the ordinance requiring that trees be trimmed to a reasonable height above the side walk is a dead letter. In proof he produces a somewhat lengthy list of persons to whom he has sent notices to do the work in front of their property. Persons who disregard these notices make themselves liable to punishment for a misdemeanor. And they also make their property look like thirty cents, not to mention the number of times they make pedestrians duck to avoid having their faces scratched or hats knocked off by a low hanging branch. All this work should be done before cleaning up day. Get busy.

A. S. Mead went to Los Angeles one day recently and lost an arm. That fact was sad enough for ordinary occasions, but the peculiar feature of the accident was that he did not know how or when he parted with the arm. He visited several real estate offices while in the city and concluded after he got home that he must have met some agent who was more than his match and had succeeded in "talking an arm off him." By persistent use of the telephone he finally located the missing arm at one of the offices he had visited and made sure of its return. It was a telephone extension arm he bought at a sale and he will soon have it doing duty in his office.

The painting on the elegant, large residence of Mr. Wilcox near the Villa has just been completed by M. M. Mauck.

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#### History in Asphalt.

Sunset for September contains a story of deepest interest entitled "The Death Trap of the Ages." It tells of a great geological find in the asphalt beds west of Los Angeles. Remains of animals long extinct that have sometime roamed over Southern California were found wonderfully well preserved. The story is well illustrated. The valley of the Rogue river in Oregon, the saving of the few remaining buffalo, the collegiate alumnae and their work and the third paper on game birds of the Pacific furnish an interesting range of reading. There are also several short stories.

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